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Office Action Summary

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).
- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 January 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 20,26-32 and 37-48 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 20,26-32 and 37-48 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application) since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121 since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). _____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is in response to the RCE preliminary amendment filed on 11/26/03.
2. Claims 1-19, 21-25, 33-36 have been cancelled.
3. Claims 20, 26-32, 37 have been amended.
4. Claims 38-48 have been added.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

6. Claims 20, 26-32 and 37-48 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Moshfeghi, US 6,476,833

As per claim 20, Moshfeghi discloses:

- a first group of system users responsible for writing computer software code (col 3 lines 8-12, col 5 lines 51-65)
- a second group of system workers responsible for modifying one or more external resource (col 3 line 20-25, col 3 lines 50-55 col 6 lines 26-32)
- a graphical control locator for locating the one or more external resource files (col 4 lines 6-10)
- parser for identifying a requested parameter stored in the one or more external resource file (col 16 lines 28-32, col 5 lines 53-58, col 11 lines 5-10)

As per claim 26, Moshfeghi discloses that the profile information specifies each users authorization and preferences in the application (Abstract, col 1 lines 10-14, col 3 lines 1-41).

As per claim 27, Moshfeghi discloses that first group of system users cannot access the external resource files without authorization (abstract, col 2 lines 65-67, col 3 lines 25-40).

As per claim 28, Moshfeghi discloses:

- creating one or more external resource ... implementing resources (col 3 line 20-25, col 3 lines 50-55 col 6 lines 26-32)
- using a graphical control ... resources (col 4 lines 6-10), resource files can be modified (col 3 line 20-25, col 3 lines 50-55 col 6 lines 26-32), and execute an application program associated with the one or more resource files (col 3 lines 8-15), modify the resource files and restricting the user to modify the source code of the application program (Abstract, col 1 lines 10-14, col 3 lines 1-41, col 2 lines 65-67, col 3 lines 25-40).

Regarding claim 29, (Abstract, col 1 lines 10-14, col 3 lines 1-41, col 2 lines 65-67, col 3 lines 25-40).

Regarding claim 30, (Abstract).

Regarding claim 31, (Abstract, col 1 lines 10-14, col 3 lines 1-41, col 2 lines 65-67, col 3 lines 25-40).

Regarding claim 32, (col 7 lines 51-58).

For claim 37, see the rejection of claim 28 above.

For claim 38, see the rejection of claim 32 above.

For claim 39, 43, Moshfeghi discloses restricting the user for accessing the resource file (col 3 lines 26-30), text evaluator is shown in col 14 lines 31-35)

For claim 40, see the rejection of claim 29 above.

For claim 41, see the rejection of claim 30 above.

For claim 42, see the rejection of claim 29 above.

For claim 44, see the rejection of claims 32 and 26 above.

For claim 45, see the rejection of claim 32 and 26 above.

For claims 46-48, Moshfeghi discloses browser specific controls are dynamically created col 51-54, where browser specific controls are related to the resource address (col 4 lines 6-10).

7. The prior art made or record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

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TITLE: Managing a resource on a network where each resource has an associated profile with an image, US 6480855 B1

TITLE: Dynamically updating themes for an operating system shell, US 5905492 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for implementing universal resource locator menus, US 5983245

TITLE: Mapping the structure of a collection of computer resources, US 5935210 A

TITLE: System and method for retrieval of hyperlinked information resources, US 5855015 A

TITLE: Systems, methods and computer program products for locating resources within an XML document defining a console for managing multiple application programs, US 6678889 B1

TITLE: System and method for controlling access to personal computer system resources, US 5809230 A

TITLE: Computer system security method and apparatus having program authorization information data structures, US 5412717 A

8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Chameli Das whose telephone number is 703-305-1339.

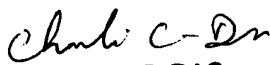
The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor Tuan Dam can be reached at 703-305-4552. The fax number for this group is (703) 872-9306.

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An inquiry of general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the group receptionist whose telephone number is 703-305-9600.


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